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COUNTRY East Germany

SECURITY INFORMATION

REPORT NO.

TOPIC KTF in the Eggesin Area

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DATE OF CONTENT 21 to 30 July 1953

25X1 DATE OBTAINED  DATE PREPARED 27 August 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between 21 and 30 July 1953, the occupation of the Bereitschaftslager (camp) at the southern edge of Eggesin appeared to be unchanged and was estimated at 3,000 KVPs and 100 Soviet officers. About 9 a.m. on 21 July, a signal detail of about 30 men equipped with field telephones and cable reels left the installation. In the morning on the same day, the noise of intensive artillery firing was heard from the direction of Karpin. About 100 bursts were counted within two hours. About 8 a.m. on 23 July, 20 trucks, each with about 20 KVPs equipped with entrenching tools, left the installation. At about 2 p.m., about 160 discharged VPs in civilian clothes went to the railroad station. On 25 July, about 15 men were training with light machine guns, while about 45 men practiced advancing by bounds with fixed bayonets and subsequently engaged in close-combat practice in the meadows north of Jagen (forest section) No 259. In the morning on 29 July, about 40 trucks, each occupied by 25 men armed with rifles, left the camp toward the wooded area. About 8 a.m. on 30 July, about 150 men armed with rifles and light machine guns left the camp toward Karpin.
2. During the reported period, construction work in the wooded area southeast of Eggesin continued. More than 100 trucks with construction material and equipment for the barracks installations in the wooded area daily proceeded to the construction site. Most of the buildings under construction were 100 meters long and 25 meters wide; they included three and four-story structures. A paved road, about 10-meter-wide, leading through the wooded area in southwest-northeast direction between the Eggesin-Karpin and Eggesin-Ahlbeck roads, was completed. 25X1

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
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 Comment. The report confirms the assumption that normal training continued in spite of discharges.

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